### **Virginia Center for Onsite Wastewater Training**

Comprehensive understanding of onsite wastewater practices across Virginia

## VCOWT Newsletter

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#### **Progress on the Demonstration Area**

Final site preparation may begin at VCOWT as early as December in the Demonstration Area, upon approval of the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan by DCR. Steering Committee members are currently working on a layout for the area. In order to help generate ideas, a group of Committee members took a field trip in August to Raleigh to visit North Carolina State University's Training Center.

Additionally, the Steering Committee is planning a Rainwater Collection System to supply water to the Demonstration Area. If you have an interest in donating materials or time, please email Tom Joy at (thomas.joy@vdh.virginia.gov).

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#### SVCC Developing Classroom for VCOWT



Community College is currently undertaking an expansion of its Occupational/Technical Center at Pickett Park in Blackstone. As part of this expansion, a classroom is being built. VCOWT will have scheduling priority for the use of the new classroom.

Southside Virginia

SVCC's Occ/Tech Center at Pickett Park.

#### **Donations are Welcome!**

Your donation can help VCOWT get a great start on a great endeavor! Tax-deductible cash or non-cash donations earmarked for VCOWT can be made through the SVCC Foundation. Contact Tom Joy (thomas.joy@vdh.virginia.gov) for more information.

#### Joy at VOWRA

Steering Committee Chair Tom Joy will be at the VOWRA Annual Meeting in November to make a presentation about VCOWT. He will be available for your questions, comments and suggestions about VCOWT. Look for VCOWT at future seminars, meetings, and conferences - like Environment Virginia in April 2008!

#### **Upcoming Courses**

VCOWT will offer one more courses in 2007. The Steering Committee is currently developing the 2008 Course Schedule. For more information, visit the VCOWT's new website <a href="http://www.vdh.state.va.us/EnvironmentalHealth/Onsite/VCOWT/index.htm">http://www.vdh.state.va.us/EnvironmentalHealth/Onsite/VCOWT/index.htm</a>

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**Effluent Dispersal Systems** 

#### Just to let you know...

The VCOWT Steering Committee meets on the second Friday of every month at SVCC's Occupational/Technical Center at Pickett Park in Blackstone, VA. Our next meeting is Friday, December 14.

Questions, comments, want to receive a copy of the monthly VCOWT Steering Committee meeting minutes? Please email Beth Manghi (beth.manghi@vdh.virginia.gov).